

32. SIDEWALKS AND WALKWAYS

Sidewalks and walkways in Barrington are primarily of concrete construction. Many of these were poured in the 1910s and 1920s and are still in good condition today. The use of concrete is traditional and appropriate in Barrington and the repair, replacement and addition of concrete sidewalks and walkways is recommended. The use of materials such as brick pavers, aggregate, and asphalt for sidewalks and walkways are not as appropriate as concrete.

- A. that are original to the property or district should be preserved.
- B. that are newly introduced on a property should be smooth concrete in patterns, dimensions, colors, and placement like original or early sidewalks in the district.
- C. of brick pavers, aggregate or pebble-surfaced, or asphalt are less appropriate for the district.

33. SIDING

Exterior wood siding and shingles are essential components defining a building's architectural character. The concealment of original wood siding with vinyl, aluminum, or other synthetic sidings is not appropriate. These siding materials do not successfully imitate the original wood siding dimensions or texture. There are also potential structural problems inherent in the use of these materials on historic buildings. Finally, these materials may not be cost effective compared to continued maintenance and painting of the wood siding.

- A. original to a dwelling should be repaired rather than replaced. Original wood siding should be replaced only where necessary.
- B. wall shingles original to the building should be repaired rather than replaced. If replacement is necessary due to deterioration, the new shingles should match the original in size, placement, and design (this includes decorative wood shingles of Victorian buildings as well as wood or asphalt shingles of Craftsman houses).
- C. should not be concealed beneath artificial or synthetic siding. The application of materials such as vinyl or aluminum over wood siding is not appropriate and their use is prohibited. Use of masonite or cementitious ("Hardiplank") over original wood siding is also not appropriate.

- D. the removal of synthetic sidings such as aluminum, asbestos, and vinyl and the restoration of the original wood siding is highly encouraged.
- E. of asbestos shingles that are original to a dwelling should be kept stained or painted. If individual shingles are missing or cracked, new shingles of cement-wood material or fiberglass are appropriate for replacement or repair.
- F. should not be covered with ceramic coatings such as “Liquid Siding” until the long-term affects of this material to historic buildings is more widely known.

34. SIGNS

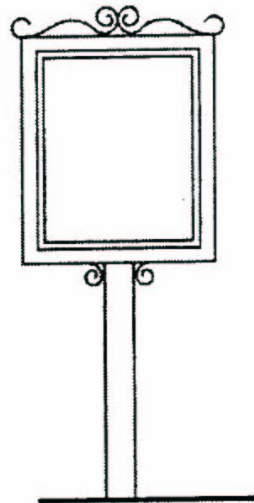
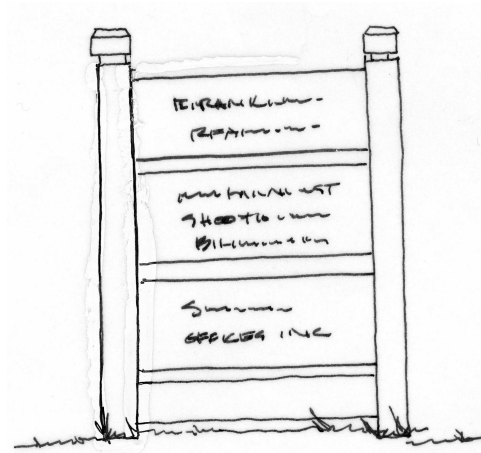
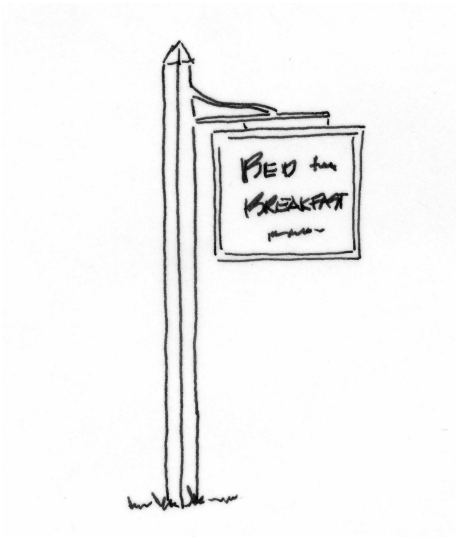
Signage in Barrington’s Historic District include signs for commercial buildings along the northern edge of the district, and governmental, institutional, and office uses. Signs are typically located in front yards about five to ten feet from the public sidewalk. Predominant sign materials are wood and metal.

- A. should be in conformance with Barrington’s overall sign ordinance.
- B. should be kept to minimum with preferably a maximum of two per commercial business or church.
- C. for churches may be freestanding or attached to the face of the building. For commercial buildings signs may be projecting, on windows, or affixed to the face of the building.
- D. should not cover or obscure architectural features, should be unobtrusive as possible and should be of materials compatible with the structure.
- E. should not be illuminated with visible bulbs or luminous paints, but with remote sources.
- F. should be of traditional materials such as finished wood, painted metal, brass, or bronze, not plywood, plastic, or unfinished wood.
- G. should utilize logos or symbols for businesses. Type and lettering should reflect the 19th and early 20th century character of the district.
- H. should have no more than three colors and use colors that coordinate with the building colors.
- F. for mounting on masonry walls should be anchored into the mortar, not the masonry.

- G. exceeding a dimension of two feet by three feet are discouraged, except for institutional uses, which may have a larger area.

Signs: Illustrations

Appropriate Historic Signs

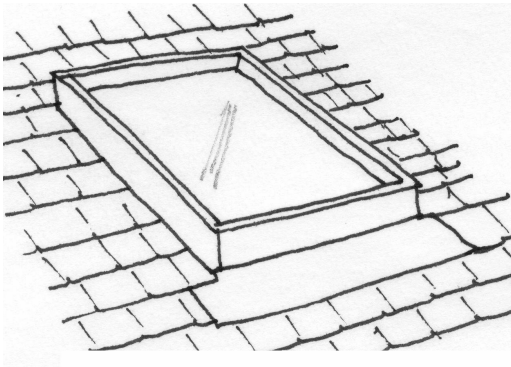


35. SKYLIGHTS

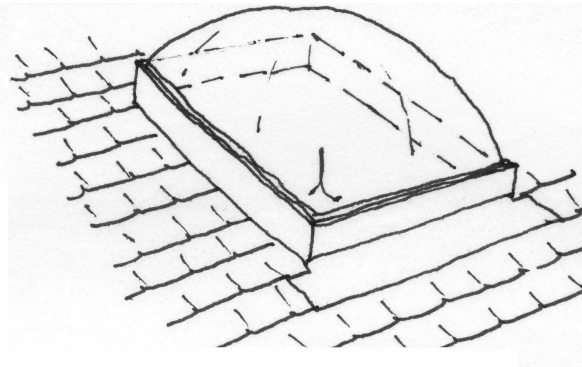
The addition of skylights can make the use of upper floor space or attic space more practical. The installation of skylights is appropriate as long as they are placed on rear roof lines, behind gables or dormers, or otherwise not visible from the street. Skylights that are flush with the roofline or lay flat are more appropriate than those with convex or "bubble" designs.

- A. should not be added where visible from the street. Skylights should be placed at rear roof lines or behind gables and dormers.
- C. should be flat or flush with the roofline, not convex or "bubble" designs.

Skylights: Illustrations



Appropriate Flat Skylight



Inappropriate "Bubble" Skylight